

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies, to place the claims in more conventional U.S. format, and to add subject matter canceled from Claim 9.

An early examination of Claims 1 to 13 is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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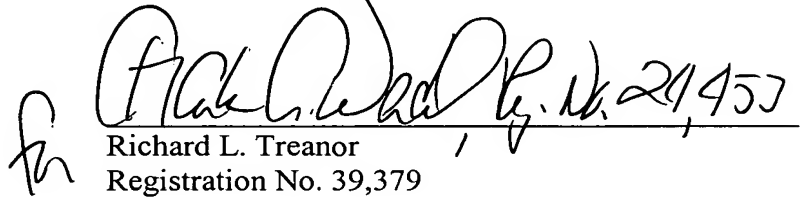
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